

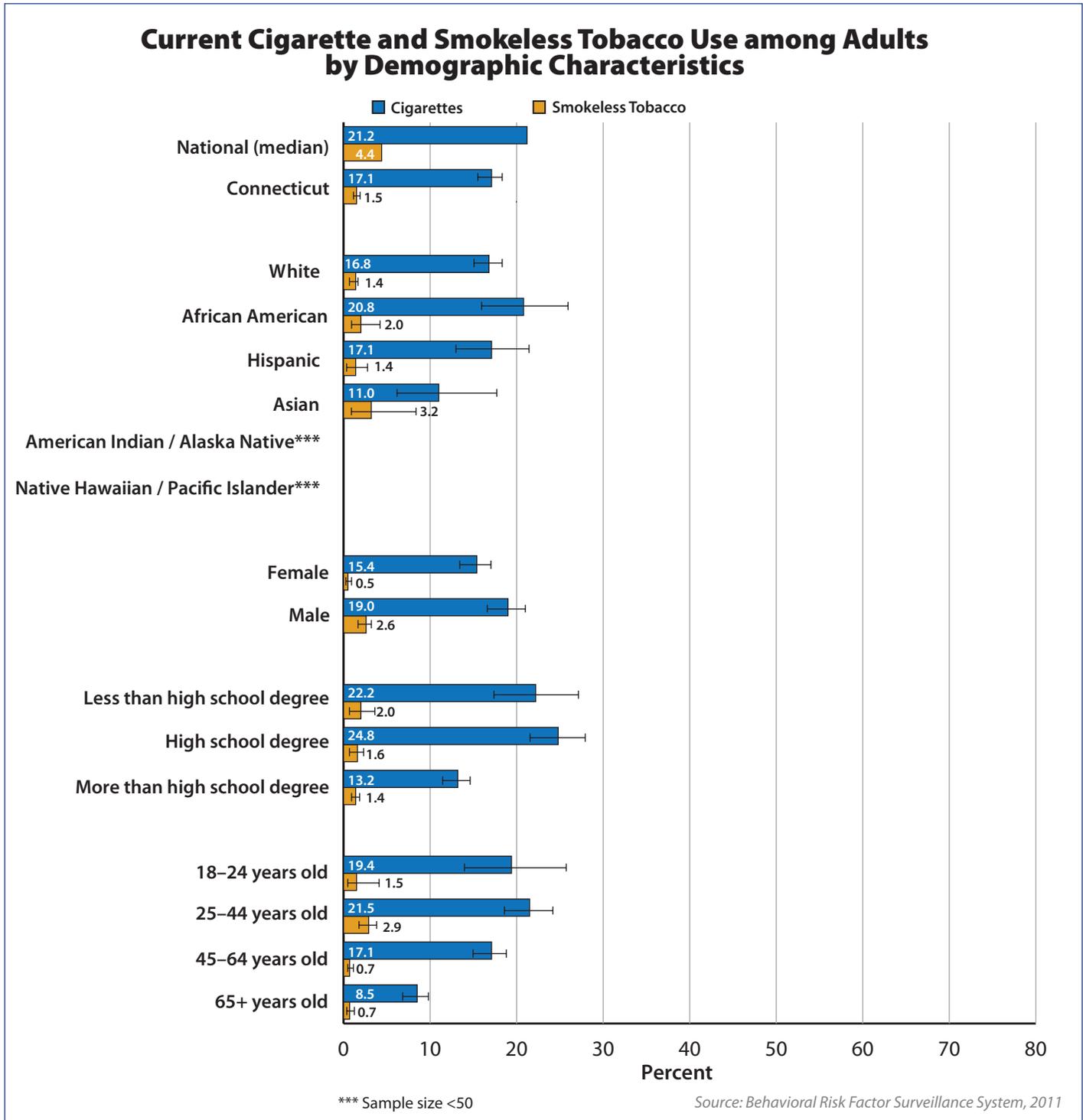
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## Monitor

### Adult Current Cigarette/Smokeless Tobacco Use

In Connecticut, the percentage of adults (ages 18+) who currently smoke cigarettes was 17.1% in 2011. Across all states and D.C., the prevalence of cigarette smoking among adults ranged from 11.8% to 29.0%. Connecticut ranked 5<sup>th</sup> among the states.

The percentage of adults who currently use smokeless tobacco was 1.5% in 2011. Across all states and D.C., the prevalence ranged from 1.4% to 9.8%. Connecticut ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> among the states.

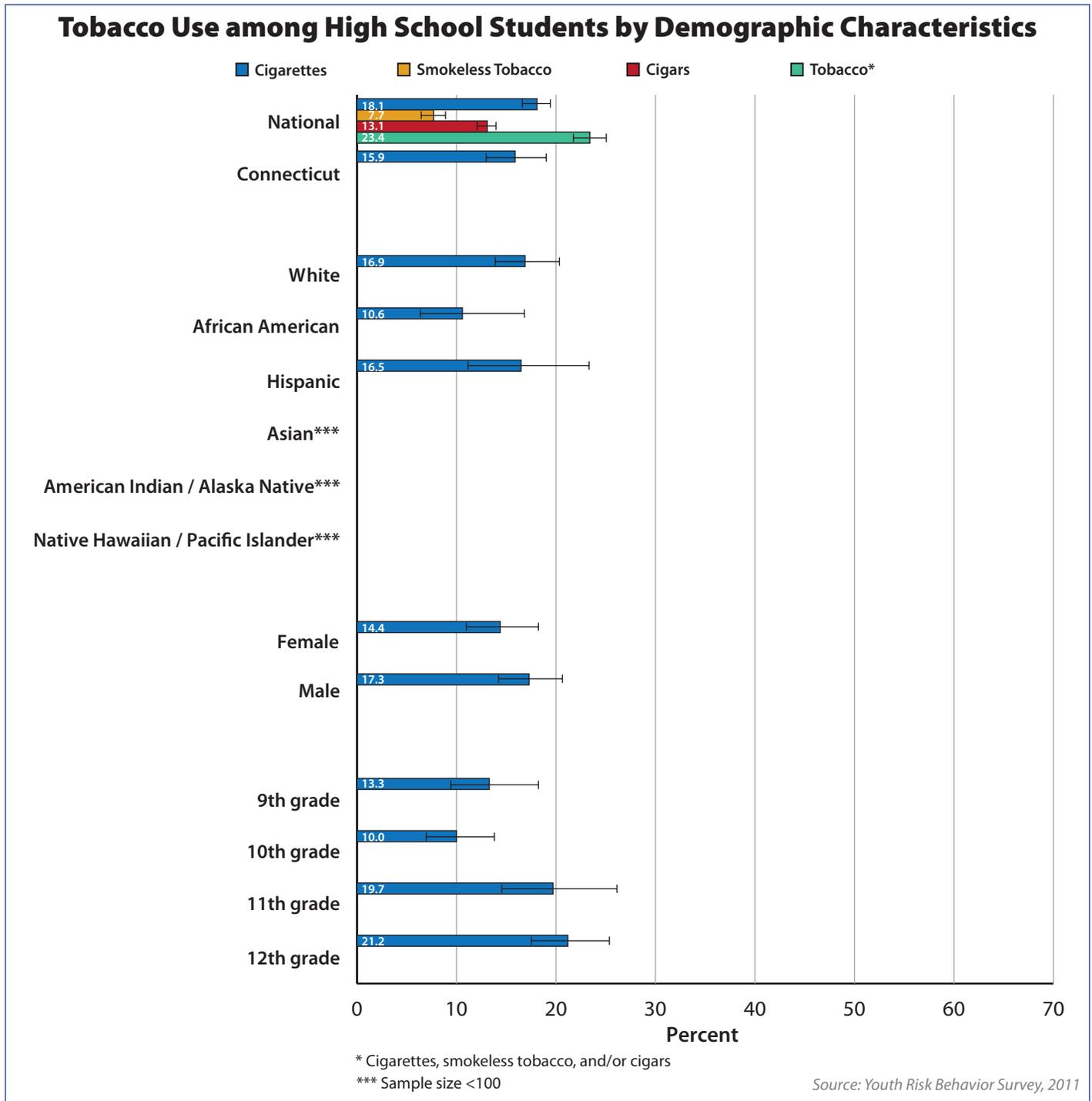


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## Youth Current Cigarette/Smokeless Tobacco/Cigar Use

In Connecticut, the percentage of youth in grades 9-12 who currently smoke cigarettes was 15.9% in 2011. The range across 44 states was 5.9% to 24.1%. Connecticut ranked 19<sup>th</sup> among 44 states.

Connecticut had no reported YRBS data on smokeless tobacco, cigars, or tobacco in 2011.

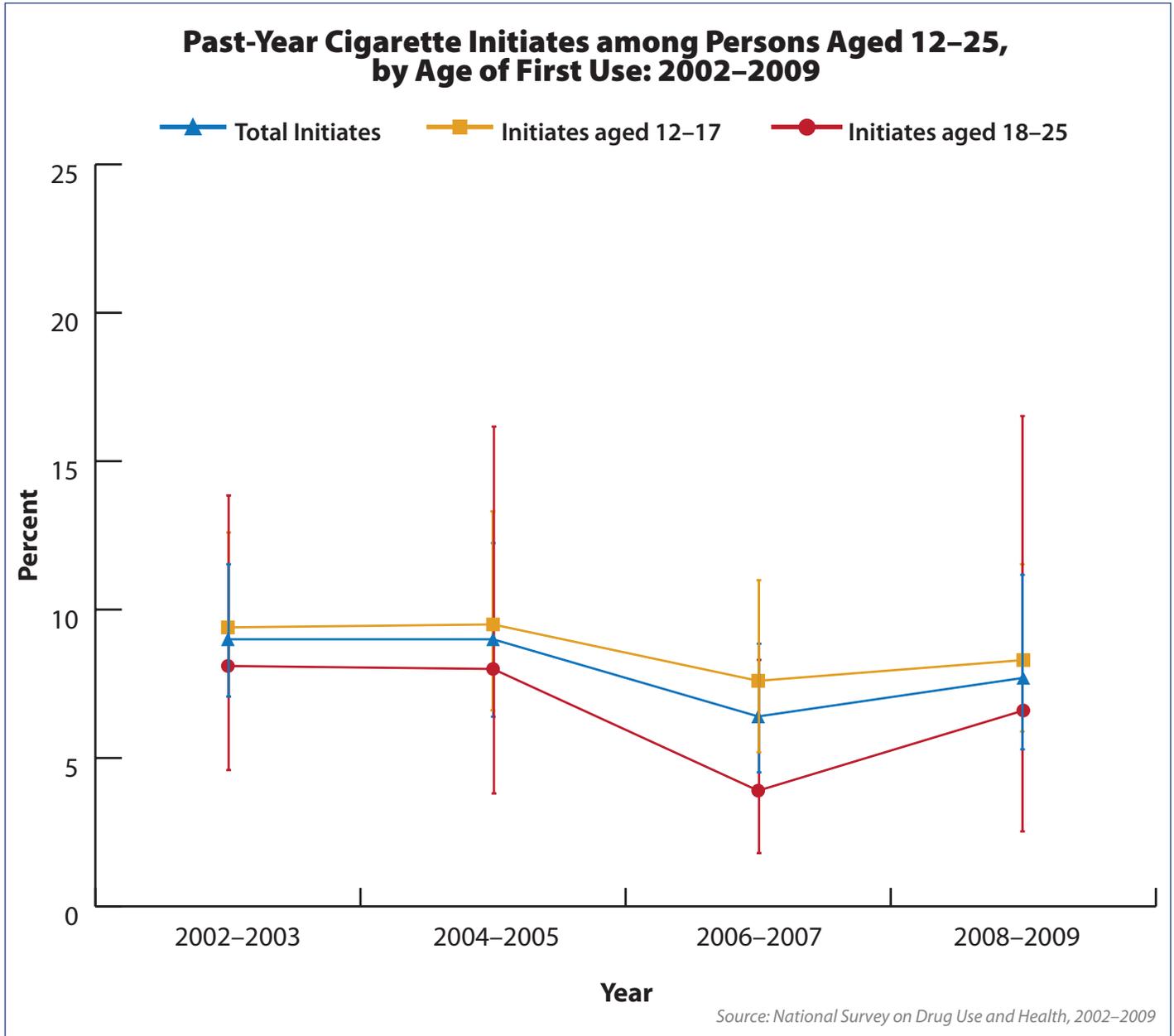


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## Past-Year Cigarette Initiation

In 2008-2009, of all Connecticut youth ages 12-17 who had never smoked, 8.3% smoked a cigarette for the first time in the past year. This ranked 50<sup>th</sup> in the nation, with a range of 3.3%–9.2% among the states.

Of all young adults ages 18-25 who had never smoked, 6.6% smoked a cigarette for the first time in 2008-2009. This ranked 12<sup>th</sup> in the nation, with a range of 4.2%–14.7% among the states.



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## Protect

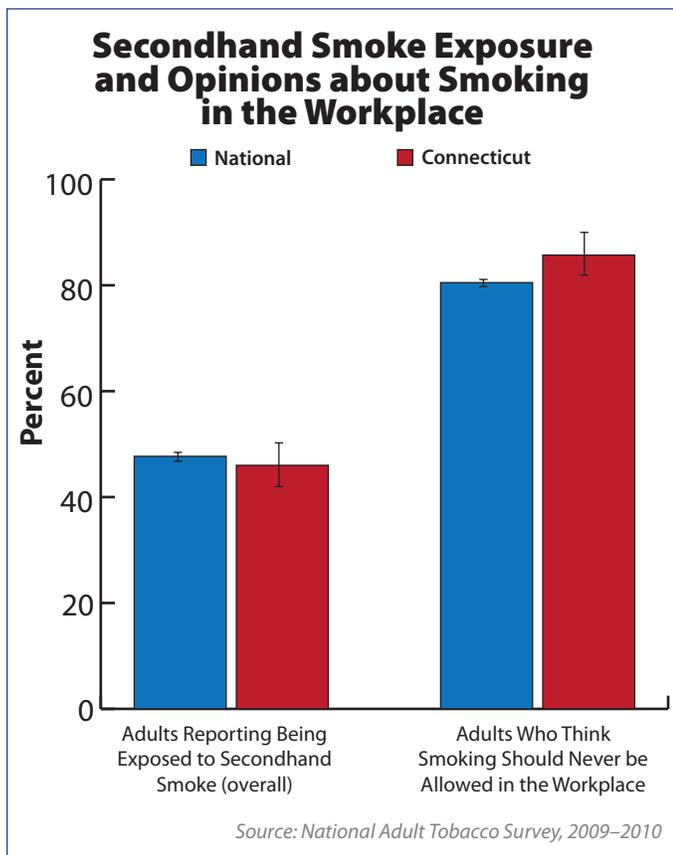
### Adult Exposure to Secondhand Smoke

Among all adults, the percentage who reported being exposed to secondhand smoke within the past 7 days was lower in Connecticut than in the nation overall. In 2009-2010, overall exposure to secondhand smoke in Connecticut was 46.0%, ranking 22<sup>nd</sup> among the states.

Adults were exposed to secondhand smoke in various locations. The table shows the percentage of Connecticut adults who reported any exposure, as well as exposure in their home, in a vehicle, or in indoor or outdoor areas at work or public places in the past 7 days.

Overall	Workplaces	Homes	Vehicles	Public Places
46.0%	22.3%	9.0%	15.0%	32.0%

*Source: National Adult Tobacco Survey, 2009–2010*

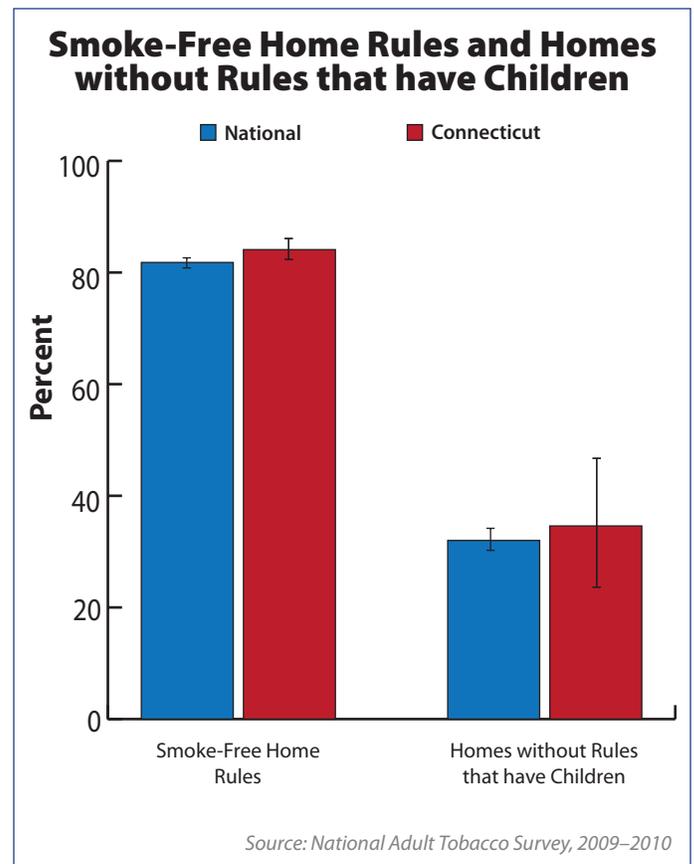


### Opinions about Smoking in the Workplace

In 2009-2010, 85.7% of adults in Connecticut thought that smoking should never be allowed in indoor workplaces, ranking 5<sup>th</sup> among the states.

### Smoke-Free Home Rules

In 2009-2010, 84.1 % of adults in Connecticut reported that their homes had smoke-free home rules, ranking 15<sup>th</sup> among the states. The percentage of homes without smoke-free home rules with children living in them was 34.6%, ranking 36<sup>th</sup> among the states.



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## State Smoke-Free Policy

As of June 30, 2012, Connecticut had laws that do not fully protect individuals from secondhand smoke by allowing smoking in indoor areas of workplaces, restaurants, and bars. The state law did not allow local communities to enact local smoke-free laws.

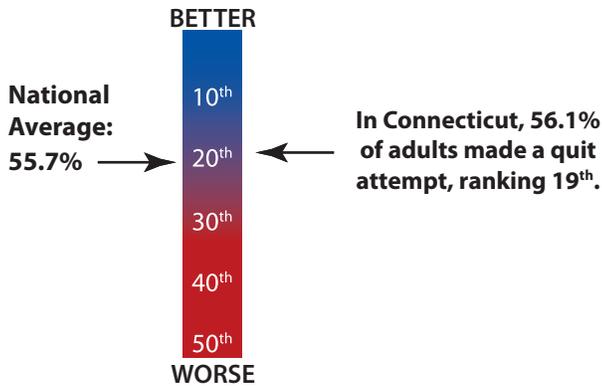
Smoke-Free Legislation			
Workplaces	Restaurants	Bars	Local Laws Permitted
 <b>No<sup>†</sup></b>	 <b>No<sup>†</sup></b>	 <b>No<sup>†</sup></b>	 <b>No</b>
<small>* Designated Smoking Areas  <sup>†</sup> Ventilated Smoking Areas  <sup>‡</sup> No Restrictions  <sup>¶</sup> Allowed smoking in venues that prohibit minors</small>		<small><sup>a</sup> Allowed for non-hospitality workplaces.  <sup>b</sup> Prohibited for non-hospitality workplaces.</small>	
<small>Note: Not all footnotes may be used.</small>		<small>Source: STATE System, June 2012</small>	

## Offer

### Adults Who Made a Quit Attempt in the Last Year

During 2009-2010, 56.1% of Connecticut adult smokers made a quit attempt in the past year, ranking 19<sup>th</sup> among the states.

#### Percentage of Smokers Attempting to Quit



Source: National Adult Tobacco Survey, 2009-2010

### Quitline Utilization

In 2010, the Connecticut quitline received 9,932 calls, and 3,608 tobacco users (an estimated 0.9% of all tobacco users in the state) received telephone counseling, cessation medications, or both from the state quitline.

### Medicaid Coverage for Counseling and Medications

In 2010, Connecticut's Medicaid program provided incomplete coverage through Medicaid for tobacco-dependence treatment. Connecticut provided partial coverage for nicotine replacement therapies, partial coverage for varenicline, partial coverage for bupropion, and full coverage for individual counseling (i.e., partial group coverage).

Medicaid Coverage for Counseling and Medications			
Comprehensive Coverage			
 <b>No</b>			
NRTs (One or More)	Varenicline	Bupropion	Counseling (Individual and/or Group)
<b>Partial<sup>a,c</sup></b>	<b>Partial<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Partial<sup>a</sup></b>	 <b>Yes</b>
<small><sup>a</sup> Pregnant women only  <sup>b</sup> Fee-for-service only  <sup>c</sup> Available only via the quitline</small>			
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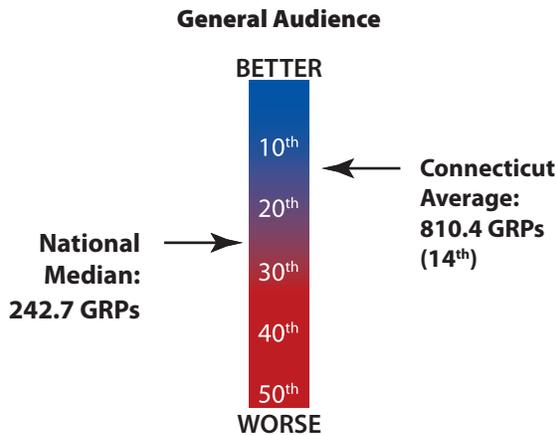
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## Warn

### Tobacco Counter-Marketing Media Intensity

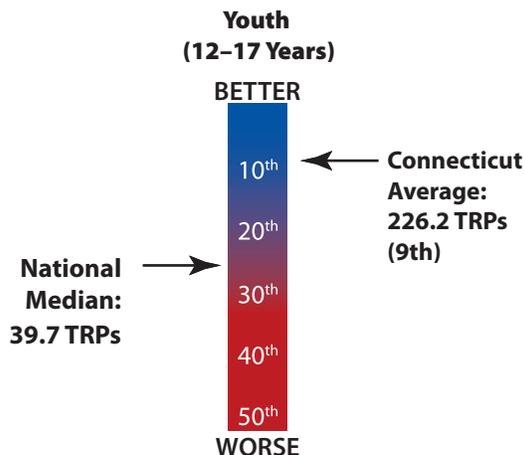
CDC *Best Practices* recommendations translate into an average quarterly exposure of 1,200 general audience gross rating points (GRPs) and 800 youth target rating points (TRPs) in effective anti-tobacco media campaigns. Connecticut had an average of 810.4 general audience GRPs and 226.2 youth TRPs per quarter in television advertising supporting tobacco control messages in 2010.

#### Anti-Tobacco Media Campaign Intensity, GRPs Per Quarter



Source: CDC/OSH

#### Anti-Tobacco Media Campaign Intensity, TRPs Per Quarter

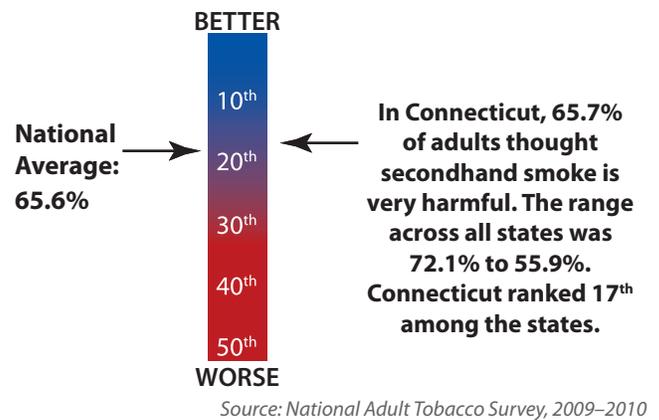


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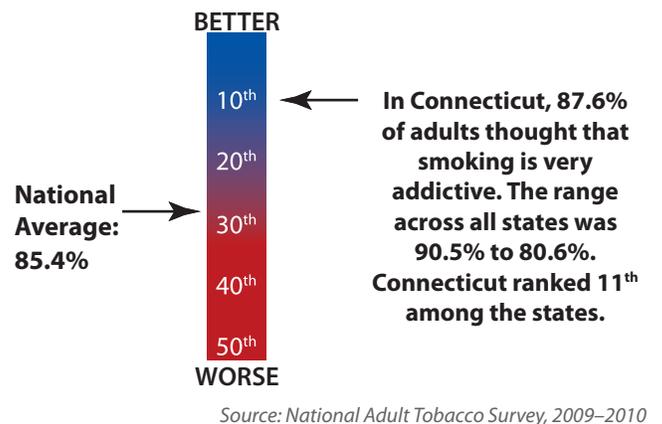
### Knowledge of the Dangers of Tobacco

In Connecticut, 65.7% of adults thought that breathing smoke from other people's cigarettes or other tobacco products is very harmful to one's health in 2009-2010. Additionally, 87.6% thought that cigarette smoking is very addictive.

#### Secondhand Smoke



#### Addictiveness of Smoking



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## Enforce

### State Allows Local Advertising and Promotion Laws

As of June 30, 2012, Connecticut allowed local regulation of tobacco industry promotions, tobacco product sampling, and display of tobacco products in commercial establishments.

State Allows Local Laws		
Promotion	Sampling	Display
 <b>Yes</b>	 <b>Yes</b>	 <b>Yes</b>

Source: STATE System, June 2012

### Over-the-Counter Retail Licensure

As of June 30, 2012, Connecticut required all establishments selling cigarettes and smokeless tobacco products over-the-counter to be licensed. Nationally, 37 states required over-the-counter licensure for cigarettes, 29 of which also have a requirement for smokeless tobacco, with various renewal frequencies, fees and penalties for violations.

Over-the-Counter Licensure and Penalties				
Over-the-Counter License Required	Minimum License Fee	Renewal Required (& Frequency)	Penalty to Business	Licensure Includes Smokeless Tobacco
 <b>Yes</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	 <b>Yes<sup>a</sup></b>	 <b>Yes<sup>b</sup></b>	 <b>Yes</b>

<sup>a</sup> Annually  
<sup>b</sup> Fine or Imprisonment, or both

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## Raise

### Amount of Tobacco Product Excise Tax

As of June 30, 2012, the excise tax on cigarettes in Connecticut was \$3.40 per pack, ranking 3<sup>rd</sup> among the states. The tax on cigars was 50% of the wholesale sales price per cigar, and for little cigars the tax was 50% of the wholesale sales price per pack of 20. The tax on smokeless tobacco was 50% of the wholesale sales price; however, snuff was taxed individually at \$1.00 per ounce.

### Price Paid for Last Cigarettes Purchased

In Connecticut, 91.1% of adult smokers bought their last cigarettes by the pack, and 8.9% bought them by the carton in 2009-2010. The average price that Connecticut smokers reported paying for their last pack of cigarettes was \$7.51 in 2009-2010; the range among states was \$7.98 to \$4.04. Connecticut did not have any reportable data on the average price paid for the last carton of cigarettes bought by smokers in 2009-2010; the range among 45 states with valid data was \$64.45 to \$30.46.

### Amount of Cigarette Excise Tax

